



CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Agenda

***REGULAR MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS***

***MONDAY, MARCH 14, 2011
7:00P.M.***

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1. OPENING MATTERS

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. INVOCATION: Rev. Gustavo Ramirez, Hope of the Nations Christian
Center

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

D. ROLL CALL

2. PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

- Council Commendation recognizing the 40th anniversary of Larry's V & S Sandwich Shop, accepted by owner Larry Spayd

3. PUBLIC COMMENT – AGENDA MATTERS:

Citizens have the opportunity to address the Council, by registering with the City Clerk before the start of the meeting. All remarks must be directed to Council as a body and not to any individual Council member or public or elected official in attendance. Any person making personally offensive or impertinent remarks or any person becoming unruly while addressing Council may be called to order by the Presiding Officer and may be barred from speaking before Council, unless permission to continue speaking is granted by the majority vote of Council.

All comments by the public shall be made from the speaker's podium. Citizens attending the

meeting may not cross into the area beyond the podium. Any materials to be distributed to Council must be given to the City Clerk before the meeting is called to order.

Those commenting on agenda business shall speak at the beginning of the meeting and shall limit their remarks to 5 minutes. Those commenting on general matters shall speak after the legislative business is concluded and shall limit their remarks to 3 minutes. No comments shall be made from any other location except the podium, and anyone making "out of order" comments may be subject to removal. There will be no demonstration at the conclusion of anyone's remarks. Citizens may not ask questions of Council members or other elected or public officials in attendance.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A. MINUTES: Council meeting of February 28, 2011

B. AGENDA: Council meeting of March 14, 2011

5. Consent Agenda Legislation

A. Resolution – authorizing the disposition of payroll records as attached (**Human Resources**)

6. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

7. REPORT FROM OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR

8. REPORT FROM DEPT. DIRECTORS, BOARDS, AUTHORITIES, & COMMISSIONS

9. ORDINANCES FOR FINAL PASSAGE

A. Bill No. 3-2011 - ordering an investigation under the authority of the Home Rule Charter Section 210, regarding the use of sewer funds (**Council Members**)
Introduced at the Jan 10 regular meeting; Tabled at the Jan 2, Feb 14 and Feb 28 regular meeting; requested meeting with the Mayor on March 1st

10. INTRODUCTION OF NEW ORDINANCES

A. Ordinance - amending the City of Reading Codified Ordinances Chapter 1 Administration & Government, Part 11 Initiative and Referendum Section 1-1105 Form and Content in accordance with the Order from the Charter Board dated February 2011 (**Council Staff/Law**)

Pending Legislation

Ordinance - establishing a four-way stop intersection at N. 13th St and Richmond St in the City of Reading, Pennsylvania **(Public Works)** *Introduced at the Jan 10 regular meeting*

Ordinance - establishing a four-way stop intersection at North 13th Street and Elm Street in the City of Reading, Pennsylvania **(Law/Public Works)** *Introduced at the Jan 10 regular meeting*

Ordinance - amending the City of Reading Codified Ordinances Chapter 1 Administration and Government, Section 186 Fiscal Provisions by providing clarifying language regarding Council approval of transfers to and from all City fund accounts **(Waltman/Council Staff)** *Introduced at the Jan 10 regular meeting*

Ordinance – changing the topographical map of the City of Reading to reflect the street name change from Avenue A to Senator O’Pake Avenue **(Council Staff/Law)** *Introduced at the Feb 28 regular meeting*

11. RESOLUTIONS

A. Resolution – reappointing Susan Gibson to the Charter Board **(Admin Oversight)** *Tabled at the Feb 14 regular meeting*

B. Resolution – appointing John Short to the Legislative Aide Committee **(Admin Oversight)**

C. Resolution – appointing Vera Ellison to the Citizens Advisory Board **(Admin Oversight)**

12. PUBLIC COMMENT – GENERAL MATTERS

13. COUNCIL BUSINESS / COMMENTS

14. COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

Monday, March 14

Committee of the Whole – Council Office – 5 pm

Regular Meeting – Council Chambers – 7 pm

Tuesday, March 15

Tax Exoneration Hearing – Council Chambers – 5 p.m.

Iglesia de Dios Penecostal Church, 601 Centre Ave

Monday, March 21

Public Works Committee – Council Office – 5 pm

Finance Committee – Council Office – 5 pm

Work Session – Penn Room – 7 pm

Monday, March 28

Committee of the Whole – Council Office – 5 pm

Regular Meeting – Council Chambers – 7 pm

15. BAC AND COMMUNITY GROUP MEETING SCHEDULE

Monday, March 14

Fire Civil Service Board – Penn Room – 5 pm

6th & Amity Neighborhood & Playground Assn – 6th & Amity Fieldhouse – 6:30 pm

Tuesday, March 15

Park and Recreation Advisory Committee – Pendora Park Fieldhouse – 5:30 pm

Charter Board – Council Chambers – 7 pm

HARB – Planning Conference Room – 7 pm

Wednesday, March 16

Officers and Employees Pension Board – Penn Room – 2:30 pm

Diversity Board – Penn Room – 4:30 pm

Redevelopment Authority – Redevelopment Authority Office – 5:30 pm

Centre Park Historic District – Member's Home – 7:30 pm

Thursday, March 17

Dare 2 Care – Bethel AME Church – 5:30 pm

Blighted Property Review Committee – Council Chambers – 6 pm

Southeast People's Voice – St. John's UCC – 6 pm

Mulberry & Green Citizens Committee – St. Luke's Lutheran Church – 6:30 pm

Friday, March 18

Fire Pension Board – Penn Room – 11 am

Saturday, March 19

Minority Business Procurement Board – Penn Room – 2 pm

Monday, March 21

Library Board – 113 S 4th St – 5 pm

Tuesday, March 22

Housing Authority Workshop – WC Building – 5 pm

Environmental Advisory Council – Council Office – 5:30 pm

Housing Authority – WC Building – 6 pm

Planning Commission – Penn Room – 7 pm

District 7 Crime Watch – Holy Spirit Church – 7 pm

Penn's Commons Neighborhood Group – Penn's Commons Meeting Room – 7 pm

Wednesday, March 23

Human Relations Commission – Penn Room – 5:30 pm

Parking Authority – Parking Authority Office – 5:30 pm

Outlet Area Neighborhood – St. Mark's Lutheran Church – 6:30 pm

18th & Cotton Community Crime Watch – St. Matthew's UM Church – 7 pm

Stadium Commission – Stadium RBI Room – 8:30 pm

Monday, March 28

DID Authority – Reading Eagle 3rd Floor Conference Room – noon

BARTA – BARTA Office – 4 pm

**City of Reading City Council
Regular Business Meeting
Monday, February 28, 2011**

Vaughn D. Spencer, President of Council, called the meeting to order.

The invocation was given by Reverend Robert Brookins from the Holy Trinity Church of God.

All present pledged to the flag.

ATTENDANCE

Council President Spencer
Councilor Acosta, District 1
Councilor Goodman-Hinnershitz, District 2
Councilor Sterner, District 3
Councilor Marmarou, District 4
Councilor Reed, District 5
Councilor Waltman, District 6
Mayor T. McMahon
Managing Director C. Geffken
Mayor's Assistant F. Denbowski
City Clerk L. Kelleher
City Solicitor C. Younger
Sergeant at Arms Captain R. Schafer

PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

City Council issued the following commendations:

- Recognizing Dominican Independence Day, accepted by Rev. Felipe Faña, Gabrielina Polanco, Sunilda Tejada, Elvin Gutierrez, Rafael Ferreiras, Edison Matias, Omar Fana, Waldo Robles, and Margarito Carlos De Leon

PUBLIC COMMENT

Council President Spencer announced that two (2) citizens were registered to address Council, one (1) on agenda matters and the other on non-agenda topics. He inquired if any member of Council objected to suspending the rule requiring non-agenda comment at the end of the meeting. As no one objected the rule requiring non-agenda comment

at the end of the meeting was suspended. Council President Spencer reminded those registered to speak of the remaining public speaking rules.

Steven Burgoon, of Boyertown, asked Council to support his City business as they consider the Award of Contract for Police Uniforms. He expressed the belief that the City needs to support resident businesses, as they will assist the City in improving its financial stability. He stated that he was outraged at the position taken by the Administration during the bidding process. He expressed the belief that his bid was the low bid when considering the expense of fitting on-duty Police Officers.

Randy Gaston, of Exeter, submitted his comments in writing and described the background the East Ends Athletic Association and Engleman's Park Association have supporting youth baseball at Engelman's and Rotary Park. He asked Council to consider this long-term relationship as they reconstruct the lease agreement.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA & MINUTES

Council President Spencer called Council's attention to the minutes from the February 14th Regular Meeting of Council and the agenda prepared for this meeting, including the legislation listed under the Consent Agenda heading. He requested that the Award of Contract for Police Uniforms be considered separately.

Consent Agenda Legislation

Resolution 41-2011 The Reading School District is relieved and granted a waiver of/from the requirements of posting a bond or surety pursuant to Chapter 22 Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance Section 309 Performance / Maintenance Guarantees (§22-309) of the City of Reading Codified Ordinance for development of through additions and renovations of Amanda Stoudt Elementary School with an address of 301 South 10th Street (and 1035-1061 and 1034-1060 of the vacated Benners Court, Reading, Berks County, Pennsylvania per the plan approved by the City of Reading Planning Commission on January 25, 2011, by Resolution #2-2011, and any reaffirmation thereof. Provided, that the Reading School District shall execute a Municipalities Improvements Agreement in a form prepared and provided by the City of Reading wherein they guarantee without the need to post any surety performance of the requisite municipal improvements for development and construction of the aforesaid project and site **(Law)**

Resolution 42-2011 That the Solicitor for the City of Reading or his designee is hereby authorized and directed to take all necessary and appropriate action required for the City of Reading to intervene in the matter of In Re Appeal of Freedom Gate

Ministries, Inc from the Decision of the Zoning Hearing Board of the City of Reading Dated January 12, 2011, Docket No. 11-2334, an appeal of the January 12, 2011 Decision of the Zoning Hearing for the City of Reading in Appeal 2010-48 granting with conditions the application for a non-conforming use of a group home at 132 South Ninth Street, Reading, Pennsylvania. Said intervention shall be in support of the Decision of the City of Reading Zoning Hearing Board. The Solicitor for the City of Reading of his designee is hereby further directed and authorized to take all necessary action to represent the interest of the City of Reading as an intervening party in the aforesaid legal action including any appeals of this matter to an appellate court of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania **(Law)**

Resolution 43-2011 That the Solicitor for the City of Reading or his designee is hereby authorized and directed to take all necessary and appropriate action required for the City of Reading to intervene in the matter of Orange Stones v. City of Reading Zoning Hearing Board, Docket No. 11-2401 an appeal of the January 12, 2011 Decision of the Zoning Hearing for the City of Reading in Appeal 2008-46 denying the application for a non-conforming use at 1711 Hampden Boulevard, Reading, Pennsylvania. Said intervention shall be in support of the Decision of the City of Reading Zoning Hearing Board. The Solicitor for the City of Reading of his designee is hereby further directed and authorized to take all necessary action to represent the interest of the City of Reading as an intervening party in the aforesaid legal action including any appeals of this matter to an appellate court of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania **(Law)** – *Copy of appeal available in hard copy only*

Councilor Sterner moved, seconded by Councilor Marmarou, to approve the minutes from the February 14th regular meetings of Council and the agenda for this evening's meeting including the legislation listed under the Consent Agenda heading as amended. The motion was approved unanimously

Award of Contract – to Hess Embroidery, 513 Reading Avenue, West Reading, PA 19611, who is the low bidder, at a total bid price of \$195,742.50 for police uniforms **(Purchasing)** *Tabled at the Jan 24 regular meeting*

Councilor Acosta moved, seconded by Councilor Reed, to approve the Award of Contract to Hess Embroidery.

Council President Spencer expressed concern that the City is taking away it's support for a City business.

Managing Director Geffken explained the process that included three (3) bids received.

The award of contract to Hess Embroidery was approved by the following vote:

Yeas: Goodman-Hinnershitz, Marmarou, Reed, Sterner, Waltman – 5

Nays: Acosta, Spencer, President – 2 .

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Mayor McMahon read the report distributed to Council at the meeting covering the following:

- Thanks to the Poverty Commission for developing the Rebuilding Report
- Thanks to John Kromer and Eric Weiss, as they work to draft the Economic Development Housing Strategies
- Thanks for the City Auditor for his assistance on reinstituting the PILOT

Mayor's Assistant Frank Denbowski described the initiative to form a study group to explore the formation of a Recreation Commission. He highlighted the issues currently under consideration with assistance from Sue Landes, the Director of the Lancaster Recreation Commission.

Councilor Waltman congratulated all involved in the study on that initiative as that approach could assist the City in growing its Recreational Program.

Councilor Goodman-Hinnershitz noted the strong partnership with the School District and stated that she is pleased with the progress to date.

Councilor Sterner agreed with this forward step to form a Recreation Commission, as it will improve recreation opportunities in the City.

Councilor Acosta suggested that the Recreation Commission membership be expanded to have representation from each Council District to include City-wide representation.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

City Auditor Cituk read the report distributed to Council at the meeting covering the following:

- 2011 Admission's Tax Collection
- Real Estate Transfer Tax Collection
- Traffic Fines Collection
- Update on Future Report

Councilor Marmarou inquired how many non profit agencies currently are eligible for the PILOT program. City Auditor Cituk replied that there are approximately 900 non-profit organizations in Reading, including government and school organizations.

ORDINANCES FOR FINAL PASSAGE

Bill No. 3-2011 - ordering an investigation under the authority of the Home Rule Charter Section 210, regarding the use of sewer funds (**Council Members**)

Councilor Reed moved, seconded by Councilor Marmarou, to table Bill No. 3-2011.

Bill No. 3-2011 was tabled by the following vote:

Yeas: Goodman-Hinnershitz, Marmarou, Reed, Sterner, Waltman, Spencer, President – 6

Nays: Acosta – 1.

Bill No. 10-2011 - amending the City of Reading Codified Ordinances Chapter 1 Administration, Part 5 Boards Departments Commissions Committees and Councils, Section E Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) to specify the appointments and term expiration (**Law**)

Councilor Acosta moved, seconded by Councilor Goodman-Hinnershitz, to enact Bill No. 10-2011.

Council President Spencer stated that the Citizen’s Advisory Board was required by the Act 47 Recovery Plan. He stated that this ordinance amends the Board, that is already on the City’s books.

Bill No. 10-2011 was enacted by the following vote:

Yeas: Acosta, Goodman-Hinnershitz, Marmarou, Reed, Sterner, Waltman, Spencer, President – 7

Nays: None– 0.

Bill No. 11-2011 - amending the Quality of Life Violation Ticket Process by amending Chapter 5 – Code Enforcement of the City of Reading Codified Ordinances Part 14 by adding Sections 112 Collections and 113 Liens and renumbering Sections 112 and 113 to 114 and 115 Nonexclusive Remedies and Severability (**Law**)

Councilor Acosta moved, seconded by Councilor Goodman-Hinnershitz, to enact Bill No. 11-2011.

Council President Spencer explained that this amendment will provide the City with collection procedures for the fines associated with the Quality of Life Ticketing.

Councilor Goodman-Hinnershitz suggested that the Administration provide quarterly reports on the Quality of Life Ticketing implementation and status.

Bill No. 11-2011 was enacted by the following vote:

Yeas: Acosta, Goodman-Hinnershitz, Marmarou, Reed, Sterner, Waltman, Spencer, President – 7

Nays: None– 0.

Bill No. 12-2011 - amending the Salary Range Ordinance by creating the salary range for the Director of Administrative Services and amending the salary range of the Fire and Rescue Services Chief and the salary range of the Police Chief **(Man Dir)**

Councilor Acosta moved, seconded by Councilor Reed, to enact Bill No. 12-2011.

Bill No. 12-2011 was enacted by the following vote:

Yeas: Acosta, Goodman-Hinnershitz, Marmarou, Reed, Sterner, Waltman, Spencer, President – 7

Nays: None– 0.

Bill No. 13-2011 - setting the salary of the Director of Administrative Services **(Man Dir)**

Councilor Acosta moved, seconded by Councilor Marmarou, to enact Bill No. 13-2011.

Managing Director Geffken stated that Mr. Nagel is the most qualified candidate and will assist in the rebuilding of the Finance Division.

Bill No. 13-2011 was enacted by the following vote:

Yeas: Acosta, Goodman-Hinnershitz, Marmarou, Reed, Sterner, Waltman, Spencer, President – 7

Nays: None– 0.

Bill No. 14-2011 - amending the City of Reading Organizational Chart as follows: Transferring the Property Maintenance Division from the Police Department to the Department of Community Development **(Man Dir)**

Councilor Acosta moved, seconded by Councilor Reed, to enact Bill No. 14-2011.

Bill No. 14-2011 was enacted by the following vote:

Yeas: Acosta, Goodman-Hinnershitz, Marmarou, Reed, Sterner, Waltman, Spencer, President – 7

Nays: None– 0.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW ORDINANCES

Council President Spencer read the following ordinance into the record:

A. Ordinance – changing the topographical map of the City of Reading to reflect the street name change from Avenue A to Senator O’Pake Avenue **(Council Staff/Law)**

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 44-2011 - approving the Tax Collection Agreement between the City of Reading and the County of Berks (Solicitor)

Councilor Goodman-Hinnershitz moved, seconded by Councilor Acosta, to adopt Resolution No. 44-2011.

Resolution No. 44-2011 was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas: Acosta, Goodman-Hinnershitz, Marmarou, Reed, Sterner, Waltman, Spencer, President – 7

Nays: None– 0.

Resolution 45-2011 – confirming the appointment of John Nagel as Administrative Services Director of the City of Reading (Man Dir.)

Councilor Reed moved, seconded by Councilor Acosta, to adopt Resolution No. 45-2011.

Resolution No. 45-2011 was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas: Acosta, Goodman-Hinnershitz, Marmarou, Reed, Sterner, Waltman, Spencer, President – 7

Nays: None– 0.

COUNCIL COMMENT

Councilor Marmarou announced that the tour of the proposed Heights Historic District, scheduled for tomorrow, has been postponed and the announcement of the new date will be announced as soon as it is known.

Councilor Goodman-Hinnershitz noted the work of the Council Public Works Committee to review the agreements with organizations who use and lease the City's facilities.

Councilor Goodman-Hinnershitz described the February 24th town meeting held in District 2 about the future of Pendora Park.

Councilor Reed expressed her belief in the need for a public meeting regarding the change in the name of Avenue A in the Glenside Housing Development, to honor the late Senator Michael A. Opaque. She expressed her belief that the renaming of the entire complex would be more appropriate.

Councilor Reed noted that the Armed Forces Day parade moved from the City due to the City's inability to continue to fund this event. She inquired about the City's ability to support the Memorial Day and Labor Day parades.

Councilor Sterner congratulated the Dominican community as they celebrate their Independence Day.

Mayor McMahon agreed with the need to find a more appropriate and less expensive way of honoring the Memorial Day holiday.

Councilor Waltman wished the RHS Boys Basketball team good luck in their game tomorrow at Hershey. He noted the continued sportsmanship of the RHS Boys Basketball team.

Councilor Acosta noted his agreement with the further exploration of those organizations that lease and use the City's facilities.

Council President Spencer questioned the Administration's recommendation to Award of Contract to a business that moved out of the City, while denying a City-based business. He suggested that in the future a more measured approach be used.

Council President Spencer expressed concern with the inability of the County Treasurer's Office to accept partial property tax payments and properly undertake collection activities that assist the City's cash flow.

Council President Spencer expressed his belief in the qualifications of the new Administrative Services Director but questioned the salary recommended.

Council President Spencer reviewed the Council meeting schedule.

Councilor Acosta moved, seconded by Councilor Marmarou, to adjourn the regular meeting of Council.

Respectfully submitted by Linda A. Kelleher CMC, City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. _____

Resolved by the Council of the City of Reading, Berks County, Pennsylvania, that:

Whereas, by virtue of Resolution 134-2009, adopted December 14, 2009, the City of Reading declared its intent to follow the procedures for the disposition of records set forth in the Retention and Disposition Schedule for Records of Pennsylvania Municipalities issued in 2009; and

Whereas, in accordance with Act 428 of 1968 (as amended) each individual act of disposition shall be approved by resolution of the governing body of the municipality:

NOW THEREFORE, The Council of the City of Reading hereby resolves as follows:

In accordance with the above cited schedule, Council hereby authorizes the disposition of the following public records:

Human Resources:

City of Reading miscellaneous payroll printouts from 1996 thru and inclusive of 2006

Passed Council _____

President of Council

Attest:

City Clerk

BILL NO. _____-2011
A N O R D I N A N C E

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CITY OF READING HOME RULE CHARTER SECTION 210 - INVESTIGATIONS, CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZES AN INVESTIGATION, AUDIT, AND STUDY OF THE UNAUTHORIZED USE OF SEWER FUNDS BY THE CITY ADMINISTRATION.

THE CITY OF READING CITY COUNCIL HEREBY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. In accordance the City of Reading Home Rule Charter Section 210 – Investigations, City Council hereby authorizes an investigation as follows:

1. That an independent investigation of the City of Reading Mayor’s Office, Managing Director’s office, the Finance Department, and all other city and non-city entities or persons who may have used, or collaborated on the use, of the City of Reading sewer funds, the planning on the use of those funds, and the longer term strategies regarding explanation and/or payment options to the City of Reading residents and City Council. The scope should include but not be limited to determining the following:
 - a. Who(m) ultimately directed the use of the sewer funds outside of the governing laws of the City of Reading?
 - b. Who(m) decided and collaborated not to include City Council in the financial decision making process?
 - c. What criteria were used to determine the funds should be taken?
 - d. What budget amendments were suggested to address the related financial concerns?
 - e. Why no efforts were made to meet with City Council to discuss more appropriate actions?
 - f. What entities or organizations (internal and external) were utilized for guidance in the decisions?
 - g. What controls existed in the spending of those dollars?
 - h. What analysis was done to identify the original revenue weaknesses?
 - i. Who, if anyone, provided any legal guidance to those involved?

- j. What financial trail exists to determine the dollars were appropriately spent?
 - k. Was there in any way a deliberate and conspiring effort to not inform City Council of the actions that were being taken?
 - l. What was the complete financial impact/exposure to the City of Reading due to loss revenue, lack of budget adjustments, legal and financial costs, interest payments on replacement costs, and any and all other related costs to this matter.*
 - m. What, if any, actions could be taken to remedy any losses, liabilities and costs that were a result of any inappropriate, illegal, or malfeasant behavior(s) that may be determined.*
 - n. What systemic changes could be taken to assure the general public any inappropriate, illegal, or malfeasant behaviors that may be found could be implemented.*
2. That City Council agrees to retain an independent individual and/or investigative organization to conduct the investigation of the use of the City of Reading sewer funds and to determine any and all City of Reading Charter violations or violations of law.
 3. That all powers provided by Section 210 of the City of Reading Home Rule Charter be utilized as necessary to obtain a sufficient investigation.
 4. That all City of Reading employees cooperate with the investigation.

SECTION 2: Also in accordance with the City of Reading Home Rule Charter Section 210 – Investigations, City Council authorizes the expenditure of City funds to undertake the investigation of the use of Sewer Funds as set forth herein.

SECTION 3: This Ordinance shall become effective in ten (10) days, in accordance with Charter Section 219.

Enacted _____, 2011

President of Council

Attest:

City Clerk

(Members of Council)

BILL NO. _____ 2011

AN ORDINANCE

AMENDING THE CITY OF READING CODIFIED ORDINANCES CHAPTER 1
ADMINISTRATION & GOVERNMENT, PART 11 INITIATIVE AND
REFERENDUM SECTION 1-1105 FORM AND CONTENT IN ACCORDANCE
WITH THE ORDER FROM THE CHARTER BOARD DATED FEBRUARY 2011.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF READING HEREBY
ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Amending the Codified Ordinances Chapter 1 Administration and
Government, Part 11 Initiative and Government Section 1-1105 Form and Content in
accordance with the order of the Charter Board dated February 2011 as follows:

PART 11
INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM

§1-1105. Form and Content.

The form and content of each petition pack shall be prepared as follows:

- A. Each petition shall be uniform in size and style on 8½ x 11 paper, marked sequentially and/or contain a serial number.
- B. Each petition pack shall contain one petition.
- C. Have an affidavit of circulator, as defined in §1-1106 below.
- D. Contain complete text of the initiative ordinance being considered or the ordinance to be considered for repeal by referendum, as stated in §1-1107 or 1-1108 below.
- E. Contain no more than 20 signature lines for the printed name, address, ~~ward,~~ ~~precinct,~~ signature of each person signing the petition, and the date signed.
- F. Contain a warning statement advising that it is unlawful for anyone to sign any initiative or referendum petition with any name other than his/her own, or to knowingly sign his/her name more than once for the same proposal, or to sign such petition when he/she is not a legal voter in the City of Reading.
- G. No corrections, additions or alterations shall be made to the form of all petitions issued by the City Clerk to the petitioner's committee.

Any petition not following the form and content set out above shall be declared invalid. (*Ord. 24-2007, 5/14/2007, §1*)

SECTION 2. All relevant ordinances, regulations and policies of the City of Reading, Pennsylvania not amended per the attached shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3: If any section, subsection, sentence or clause of this ordinance is held, for any reason, to be invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of the Ordinance.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance will become effective in ten (10) days, in accordance with Charter Section 219.

Enacted _____, 2011

President of Council

Attest:

City Clerk

(Council Staff/Law)

Submitted to Mayor: _____

Date: _____

Received by the Mayor's Office: _____

Date: _____

Approved by Mayor: _____

Date: _____

Vetoed by Mayor: _____

Date: _____

RESOLUTION NO. _____

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF READING HEREBY RESOLVES AS
FOLLOWS:

That Susan Gibson is reappointed to the Charter Board with a term
ending April 26, 2015.

Adopted by Council _____, 2011

Vaughn D. Spencer
President of Council

Attest:

Linda A. Kelleher
City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. _____

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF READING HEREBY RESOLVES AS
FOLLOWS:

That John Short is appointed to the Legislative Aide Committee with
a term ending July 28, 2012.

Adopted by Council _____, 2011

Vaughn D. Spencer
President of Council

Attest:

Linda A. Kelleher
City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. _____

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF READING HEREBY RESOLVES AS
FOLLOWS:

That Vera Ellison is appointed to the Citizens Advisory Board as a
Mayoral appointment with a term ending December 31, 2013.

Adopted by Council _____, 2011

Vaughn D. Spencer
President of Council

Attest:

Linda A. Kelleher
City Clerk